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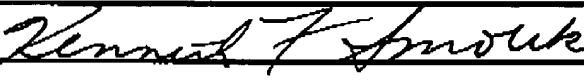
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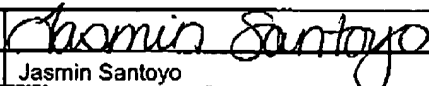
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	First Named Inventor	Matthew T. Abraham	
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	Examiner Name	Sellers, Daniel R.	
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**Matthew T. Abraham**

Serial No.: 10/786,697

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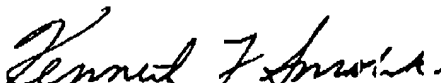
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Date of mailing (day/month/year)	14 FEB 2005
Applicant's or agent's file reference 010886.00636	FOR FURTHER ACTION See paragraphs 1 and 4 below
International application No. PCT/US04/06124	International filing date (day/month/year) 01 March 2004 (01.03.2004)
Applicant: SHURE INCORPORATED	

1. ☒ The applicant is hereby notified that the international search report and the written opinion of the International Searching Authority have been established and are transmitted herewith.
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## INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

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International application No. PCT/USD4/06124	International filing date (day/month/year) 01 March 2004 (01.03.2004)	(Earliest) Priority Date (day/month/year) 10 March 2003 (10.03.2003)
Applicant SHURE INCORPORATED		

This international search report has been prepared by this International Searching Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 18. A copy is being transmitted to the International Bureau.

This international search report consists of a total of 2 sheets.



It is also accompanied by a copy of each prior art document cited in this report.

## 1. Basis of the Report

- a. With regard to the language, the international search was carried out on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.
- ☐ The international search was carried out on the basis of a translation of the international application furnished to this Authority (Rule 23.1(b)).
- b. ☐ With regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application, see Box No. I.
2. ☐ Certain claims were found unsearchable (See Box No. II)
3. ☐ Unity of invention is lacking (See Box No. III)
4. With regard to the title,
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- ☐ the text has been established by this Authority to read as follows:

## 5. With regard to the abstract,



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## 6. With regard to the drawings,

- a. the figure of the drawings to be published with the abstract is Figure No. I



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- b. ☐ none of the figures is to be published with the abstract.

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## INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International application No.

PCT/US04/06124

## A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

IPC(7) : H03B 1/00, 1/04; H03F 1/34, 1/38; H03G 3/00, 5/00, 11/04; H03K 5/00; H04B 1/10, 3/04, 15/00; H04L 27/00  
 US CL : 327/553, 556, 592; 330/294; 333/18; 381/83, 93, 94.2, 103, 108

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## B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

U.S. : 327/553, 556, 592; 330/294; 333/18; 381/83, 93, 94.2, 103, 108; 327/552; 330/109, 294; 381/57, 318

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)

## C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
A	US 4,091,236 (CHEN) 23 May 1978 (23.05.1978), see entire document	1- 5
Y	US 4,177,356 (JAEGER et al.) 04 December 1979 (04.12.1979), column 9, lines 53-58	12 25
X	US 5,506,910 A (MILLER et al.) 9 April 1996 (09.04.1996), column 4, lines 32-40,	1- 1
Y	column 5, lines 63-67, column 6, lines 51-61, and column 7, lines 9-24, 33-36, 42-47, and 52-57	12 25

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